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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 27 pages, including 3 independent claims and 20 claims total.
2. Drawings- 5 sheets of drawings (total) containing 17 figures (Figures 4A, 4B, 6A, 6B, 7A, 7B, 8 and 9 are photographs).
3. Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-054688, filed February 28, 2003.
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Applicants claim the right to priority based on Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-054688, filed February 28, 2003.

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